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Re: Application Serial No. 10/699,964

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Applicant: Patricia M. Reo

Title: PAPER HANDLING AID

Atty. Ref: REO001P

Dear Sir:

In view of In Re Swissco Foods Ltd. (25 USPQ2d 1552, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, 1992), we are inquiring regarding the status of the above referenced application since we have not had any communication from the Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application. In addition to providing us with information on the status of this application, we request that you inform us as to when we should next inquire regarding the status of this application.

Thank you very much for a prompt response to this inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

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